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**All You Need To Know About The Keweenaw Bay Indian Community**  
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## LANDSCAPING/EXTENSION PROJECT NEAR COMPLETION AT ASSININS COMMUNITY CEMETERY



Located in Assinins, just north of Baraga, Michigan, within the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community, fenced between the north end of Mission Road and US 41, lies the Assinins Community Cemetery. A sign located at the entrance of the cemetery states, "As far as anyone can remember, this burial ground has always been here."

Some of the older gravestones date back to the 1840's. History shows as far back as the 1600's, the Chippewa Nation cast their nets in the Keweenaw Bay. Their ancient ancestors told stories of being born in the East and entering the Spirit World in the West. The deceased would be buried in communal ground and Spirit Houses were put over the grave of that individual. The first Spirit Houses were built of birch, elm or cedar bark. Lumber replaced the bark to provide a safer place to leave food and other items needed such as arrows, bows, fishing gear, etc. to aid the deceased in their four-day journey to the Spirit World. The Chippewa would travel annually to meet with other bands for a feast to honor their deceased ancestors. Even in recent years, picnics have been held at the Assinins Community Cemetery out of respect for this custom.

According to one of the four members of the Historical Society, Stephen Hadden, who is also the cemetery Sexton, said, "Bishop Baraga sold this land back to the original 49 Christian Indians around the 1860's. The State foreclosed on that community for back taxes around the early 1900's. The Sheriff, at that time, came over to the Assinins' community and served the papers on those who were living there, not necessarily the owners of the land, which consisted of 480 acres including this cemetery. It was wrong for the State to

foreclose on a cemetery. When has anyone ever paid taxes on a cemetery? In turn, the Church bought it back for back taxes."

For the past two years, the Assinins Community Cemetery has been receiving landscaping and extension efforts. Charles *Chuck* Loonsfoot Sr., a member of both the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community and the Most Holy Name of Jesus Church, stated, "About two years ago, I came down here to clean the cemetery and someone talked me into starting to take down that fence." Chuck laughed. "That someone was Stephen Hadden, the Sexton of the Assinins Community Cemetery. So we took the whole fence down, then we cut down some trees in the north end, and then he talked me into putting the fence back up this year. About a dozen of those trees

### Tribal Council Members:

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 Susan J. LaFerner, Vice-President  
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 Elizabeth (Chiz) Matthews  
 Jerry Lee Curtis  
 Frederick Dakota



### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- September 6, 2008 Tribal Council meeting
- KBIC Youth visit Chicago
- Tribal Elections begin with Primary Election
- KBIC participates in Parade of Nations
- Even Start students explore new software
- OHA News—Successful participant in IDA Program
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## WATERLINE DONATION MADE BY KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY

The KBIC Tribal Council approved the donation of funds in the amount of \$22,000 for Tribal Construction's labor and equipment to install a waterline for the L'Anse High School Sports Facility at a Council meeting held in July of 2008.

Tribal Construction recently installed 1,100 feet of 8" waterline at the multi-functional sports complex site that is adjacent to the L'Anse Area School. The new facility will have a new football field, track, soccer field, two baseball diamonds, tennis facilities, and will include shower and office facilities.





## September 6, 2008 — Tribal Council Meeting

The Tribal Council held their regularly scheduled Saturday Tribal Council meeting on September 6, 2008, in the Chipewewa Room of the Ojibwa Resort Motel in Baraga, Michigan. Warren C. Swartz Jr. presided over the meeting with Susan LaFernier, Toni Minton, William E. Emery, Jennifer Misegan, Larry Denomie III, Doreen Blaker, Jerry Lee Curtis, Michael F. LaFernier Sr., Elizabeth (Chiz) Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo and Fred Dakota present. President Swartz shared numerous *Thank You* and *For Your Information* items addressed to Council. Council approved meeting minutes for November 29, 2005, and July 8, 2008.

Warren "Chris" Swartz Jr. gave the President's report. On August 19, 2008, President Swartz gave the Oath of Office to three Appellate Justices at a ceremony held at the KBIC Tribal Court. The three judges now have the authority needed to work on the backlog of appellate cases.

President Swartz met with Bureau of Indian Affairs Official, Gerald Parrish, of the Michigan Agency to discuss proposed real estate services. We are waiting on a final report from the Michigan Agency regarding the meeting.

Gene Emery, Fred Dakota, and President Swartz attended a meeting in Lac Vieux Desert regarding Indians exercising their off reservation treaty rights in KBIC's home territory. This is an ongoing issue that they will continue to monitor. The following day, President Swartz attended a VOIGHT Task Force meeting also held at Lac Vieux Desert.

The Office of the Tribal President, has received word from Jerry Lee Curtis, New Day Administrator, that New Day has received CARF accreditation which is valid for three years. Chi Miigwetch to Jerry Lee Curtis and his staff for their hard work to achieve that status.

On September 2, 2008, the Office of the Tribal President, received a press release from the Dept. of Treasury and Justice announcing a first time initiative to strengthen and foster economical development in Native American communities. The initiative will increase access to financing for existing businesses, create new businesses, increase housing opportunities, and strengthen legal infrastructure. The economic development projects will take place at the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwa Indian Community in Cass Lake, Minnesota, and at the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community in Baraga, Michigan. The ultimate outcome of this initiative will help provide economic structuring in our community.

President Swartz indicated that he continues to correspond with representatives of CITGO's Home Heating Program and is working on the preliminary informational documents to determine if our community is eligible for assistance.

President Swartz met with Baraga Village Manager, Roy Kemppainen, on topics of mutual concern, such as junk cars, unsafe structures, old buildings and exterior property.

Vice President Susan LaFernier gave the Vice President report for August 2008. On August 12, and 16, 2008, Vice President LaFernier attended the Drug Task Force meetings. Remember the Drug Tip line number is 353-DRUG (353-3784).



**Keweenaw Bay Indian Community members as they participate in the Mackinaw Bridge Walk on Labor Day, September 1, 2008.**

The 2008 KBIC Clean Sweep was held on August 16th in the Big Buck Bingo parking lot. They collected household hazardous waste and old or unwanted pharmaceuticals and over the counter medications in an effort to protect our environment. A thank you goes out to Todd Warner and the Natural Resource Department staff for coordinating that project.

The Court hearing on the contested case on mining has concluded and our attorneys now have until September 23rd to prepare the proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law. The Hearing Officer will then either grant or deny the 632 Mining Permit and Part 31 Groundwater Discharge Permit for Kennecott. According to DEQ, a separate permit would be required under Part 632 for reopening of the Humboldt Processing Facility because it is not within or adjacent to the site of the proposed mining activities. An amendment of the mining permit for construction of a new haul road and an extension for the electrical services from road 550 to the mine site would be required. The EPA will be visiting to make their determination regarding the Underground Injection Control Permit that Kennecott needs. There are plans for a public meeting in October. Twelve Keweenaw Bay Indian Community members joined the annual Mackinaw Bridge Walk on September 1st in an effort to heighten awareness of the threats of metallic sulfide mining on our Great Lakes waters. The walk across the bridge marked the ending of a much longer walk which began at the Yellow Dog Plains in an effort to spread the word and gain support for the opposition of the proposed mining by Kennecott Minerals. There were more than one hundred walkers from the Baraga, Houghton and Marquette area. LaFernier thanked the group who attended the first "Protect the Earth Summit" held on August 3-4, 2008, at NMU and the Yellow Dog Plains. Susan LaFernier's speech was published in the September newsletter, page 11. Vice President LaFernier urges everyone to become educated and learn all there is to know regarding sulfide mining. There are many who do not know what sulfide mining is or the destruction that it causes.

On August 14, 2008, Vice President

LaFernier along with many other members of Council attended a day long presentation by the Office of Justice Programs—Community Capacity Development Team on economic development on our reservation. Presented were their findings from the economic development assessment, marketing survey and legal survey from their June visit to KBIC. This information will be used with our future economic development projects and in updating our comprehensive plan.

Vice President LaFernier attended the Government Employee Picnic on August 8. With the beautiful day, our employees had a wonderful time as they participated in the planned and organized activities developed from the hard work of the picnic committee, cooks, judges, and everyone else who helped with the event. Many employees won some wonderful prizes as well. Thank you.

Larry Denomie III, CEO, gave a report for August 2008. With the end of FY 08 approaching, work on FY 09's Memorandum of Agreement with the Ojibwa Community College has begun. Some of the current agreement requirements include assistance from KBIC in preparing for OCC's autonomy such as setting up for their own insurances, accounting, personnel processing, etc. Meetings are scheduled with OCC throughout September.

The CEO's office aided resolution to issues related to the building in which a liquor license is operating out of and the building inspector's orders to stop operations within that building. After meetings with parties involved, it was determined that that licensee needed to comply with the International Building Code. The licensee needs to meet the commercial code requirements for the establishment. The licensee had been issued two orders to cease operations. The owner did comply after the second order was issued for a period of time but had subsequently reopened. The licensee is now complying with the order and is working on meeting the commercial code requirements. The Council has suspended the liquor license and scheduled a hearing for the licensee.

With the expectation of being awarded the ANA Language Preservation Grant



soon, work on finalizing contract agreements for Earl Otchingwanigan has continued. Earl will be developing the curriculum and teaching the apprentices for KBIC.

The Even Start Program has been officially funded for another year and will be under the direction of Gail Juntunen. Gail Juntunen has accepted the recently advertised Even Start Coordinator position.

On August 6th, the Renewable and Alternative Energy Committee held their first meeting. This Committee consists of seven members with four advisors. A program will be held in September for the committee and other staff to aid in developing a strategic plan.

A sale is being planned for unused departmental equipment. Clayton Ekdahl, Special Projects Coordinator, is heading up the opportunity. A list of equipment is being developed and an advertisement will be forthcoming announcing the date and time of the departmental auction and rummage sale.

The Weed and Seed Grant has been approved for another year in the amount of \$150,000. This program is under the direction of Dale Dakota, Chief of Police, with Chris Gerard as the Program Coordinator. Also unfortunately, the Transfer Station Grant was not funded. We are able to apply again next year.

Toni Minton presented the Secretary's Report. During the month of August 2008, the Tribal Council had one regular meeting and three special meetings. The regular Tribal Council meeting was held on August 16, 2008, and is reported in the September 2008, Tribal Newsletter. The following actions occurred during the special meeting held on August 4, 2008: approved Resolution KB1625-208 Jeff Mayo Residential Lease; approved Resolution KB1626-2008 Nomination of the Migiziwasin site to the National Register as a Traditional Cultural Property; approved the agreement between the KBIC and Michigan Works Small Business and Technology Development Center Network for services of a business counselor one day per month for current and prospective business owners; approved the Memorandum of Understanding between the Bay Mills Community College and the KBIC for the Immersion Program; approved Resolution KB1624-2008 Helene Welsh heirs restricted land BIA Timber Sale; approved donations totaling \$4,125; and approved the service agreement of Barbara Nolan and Rhonda Hopkins, Bay Mills Community College Immersion Instructors. On August 11, 2008, the Council held the Second Reading of Proposed ordinance 2008-02 Tobacco Ordinance. The following actions occurred during the special meeting held on August 11, 2008: approved the meeting minutes of November 10, 2005; reviewed proposed ordinance 2008-04 Election Ordinance with the Election Board; amended the Professional Services Agreement with Carlson-Loy; and approved the request of the Ojibwa Seniors to host the April 2009 MIEA Conference, and approved their costs totaling \$3,500. The following actions occurred during the special meeting held on August 28, 2008: approved the meeting minutes of November 21, 2005, June 26, 2008, and June 30, 2008; approved the bid from Swick for a HVAC System for the pool area in the Ojibwa Motel for \$94,495; suspended the liquor license of Jeff Lamson until he com-

# KBIC Youth Visits Chicago



(Front row—left to right) Chaperone Jennifer Misegan, Shane Bryan, Tashina Emery, Deanna Varline, Deena Misegan, Shani Shelife, Jade Chaudier, Angelica Bogda, Hope Minton, (back row— left to right) Chaperone Gary Loonsfoot Jr., LeRoy Gauthier, Jay Gauthier, Chaperone Alice Brunk, Gary Loonsfoot III, Ethan Smith, Roni Jossens, Chalsea Smith, Jacki Jossens, Chaperone Jeanne Kauppila, and Chaperone Tyler Larson.

On August 19-21, fifteen KBIC Youth took part in the annual summer youth trip. This year's trip included an outing to the Lincoln Park Zoo in downtown Chicago. The following day the kids enjoyed a full day of roller coasters and water rides at Six Flags Great America and Hurricane Harbor in Gurnee Mills, followed by a din-

ner at Joe's Crab Shack. The final day they got to experience a show in the IMAX Theater inside of the Milwaukee Public Museum along with a day pass into the Museum. In order to make the trip, the kids needed to have at least 25 hours of volunteer time throughout the year during their fundraising events.

## KBIC Youth Program Activity Fund Criteria

- \* Youth must be a member or child of an enrolled member, to qualify.
- \* Members must live in the service area of Baraga, Houghton, Ontonagon and Marquette County.
- \* Each fiscal year, an amount is designated by the KBIC Tribal Council, for each child, age 0-17. The amount is currently \$125.00. The fiscal year begins on October 1.
- \* It is the parent/guardian responsibility to keep track of how much is spent for each child.
- \* You must submit a receipt for all funding reimbursements.

Requests that will be paid must fall under the criteria listed below:

- Organized extracurricular activity fees, athletic fees, in or out of school. (Example – basketball, gymnastics, skating, hockey, skiing, swimming, football, etc.);
- Athletic equipment, to be used for team sports;
- Sports, bible and culture camps;
- School-related activities, such as: band, youth in government, driver's education, and school pictures;
- School clothes

Please submit receipts, with designation of what the receipt is for to the Youth Director. The Youth Director will make out the requisition form, and send it to accounting for processing. Processing requests takes three-five days. The check can then be picked up from the Youth Director, unless other arrangements have been made.

For more information, please call the Youth Director at 353-4643, or come to the Youth Building Office located adjacent to Ojibwa Community College, or email: [tlarson@kbic-nsn.gov](mailto:tlarson@kbic-nsn.gov)

## The Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Drug Task Force

### ~ Mission Statement ~

To promote education through public awareness with the specific objective to eliminate the use of "illegal drugs" for the betterment of the health, welfare, and safety of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community and our neighboring Communities.

KBIC Drug Tip Line 353-DRUG (3784)



**ANIN!** Our children (young and old), relatives and friends need us to help them lead a healthy, drug-free life. Drug and alcohol problems can be prevented and preventing them starts with us. As parents, caregivers, relatives, and friends, we have a tremendous influence on the decisions they make. Our constant communication and caring may inspire them to walk away from drugs and alcohol or receive the help they need.

"Don't let your life be confined by drug or alcohol addiction, know that for every lock there is a key."



came down to put up a lean-to on the waterside of the Church, for the picnic tables there. We needed 14 footers. That is why those trees came down, to cut the rest of the lumber we needed.”

Hadden stated, “We started with the landscaping project because a lot of vandalism was going on down here (at the cemetery), and back when they repaved the road, we had the road blocked off by the Church because the semis had that blacktop pounded so badly. Then the semis started coming through the cemetery. We thought, we don’t want the cemetery tore apart, and there was so much vandalism we had to do something. When the Dead River Basin washed out, we went and got two headstones down there that were from here. The Statue in the south end of the cemetery was dragged way down here in the middle of the cemetery. Someone was going to probably load it in their truck but found it to be too heavy, I suppose.”

Hadden continued, “So we figured by making the road longer that it wouldn’t be a thoroughfare and we could have our funeral processions right from the Church down. We have had some processions through the woods when they would just carry the casket. That is what we were originally going to do here just have a nice straight route, but then it just kept growing into putting in the road.”

Funding the project has been basically done by donations. The tribe donated \$6900 for the gravel and \$650 for the fence which was purchased from Tribal Construction. The volunteers had hoped for donations of sand and fill from the county and a local road construction company, unfortunately none was received. Judy Smith, a member of both the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community and the church, made a donation and paid for the first 30 loads of sand at the entrance of the road. Most of the other donations came from the volunteers and has turned into a fair amount for gas and oil alone. The Keweenaw Bay Tribal Court has provided community service workers to assist Hadden and Loonsfoot with the endeavor. Hadden said, “Those hours number into the hundreds. Quite regularly we have two or three community service workers, the most being six on one day. Other volunteers (besides Hadden and Loonsfoot) have been Mike Cardinal, John Cadeau, Judy Smith and her kids, Evelyn Ravindran and her kids, and the summer youth group have helped. They cut the grass for us and have for probably the last ten years, possibly even longer. Some of the summer youth workers helped Chuck put up the last of fence. Tribal Construction has made their equipment available as a donation when we make any requests.”

Hadden said, “When Father John left here, he had 438 people listed as buried in the cemetery. I have over 1000 people and that isn’t counting the original Native Americans buried here. There will never be a complete set of records. I’ve updated the current records by checking death records in Houghton and Baraga County.”

Hadden added, “It’s been a lot bigger job than we thought. There’s probably thousands of hours in the project now. We made a lot more room for plots and on the north end. We have it all flattened out so if we need more room, we can just move out the fence on that far end.”

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Eagle Books

## KBIC TO GATHER FOR THE *Eagle Books Community Fun Fest*

The popular Eagle Books stories will come to life in the Keweenaw, from October 24 to November 1 when Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Community College and Michigan Tech’s Native American Outreach will host a celebration of healthy living to help prevent diabetes in American Indians and Alaska Natives. The *Eagle Books Community Fun Fest* will begin with speakers, displays, and activities included in the MTU Native American Speakers Forum and Spirit of the Harvest Powwow. The festival will open formally at the Niiwin Akeaa Center on Sunday afternoon, October 26 and continue through the week with events for all ages.

The Eagle Books are a series of four books about wise animal characters, Mr. Eagle, Miss Rabbit and a clever trickster, Coyote, who together engage Rain That Dances and his young friends in the joy of physical activity, eating healthy foods and learning from their elders about health and diabetes prevention. More than two million books have been distributed by the Native Diabetes Wellness Program of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The books are used in many schools, clinics and Head Start programs. Organizers of the *Festival of Eagles* hope that the engaging, positive messages found in the books will encourage local children and parents to make positive lifestyle changes. Highlights of the festival will include:

- A display of the original Eagle Books watercolor paintings—a replica of an exhibit at the Smithsonian National Museum of the American Indian—that can be seen throughout the entire festival at the Niiwin Akeaa Center (main college building)
- Storytelling by Eagle Books author Georgia Perez, Nambe Pueblo at the opening on Sunday October 26, and in assemblies at Baraga and L’Anse schools on Monday, October 27.
- A “Healing Through Art” workshop for local children with nationally-known painter, Sam English, a member of the Ojibwe tribe, designed to explore Eagle Books’ messages through visual arts, tentatively scheduled for Friday afternoon, October 24.
- School field trips to tour the exhibit and take part in a mini-health fair on Tuesday, October 28.
- Talking Circles conducted by Lorelei DeCora, a former Indian Health Service nurse and member of the Ho-Chunk tribe, to encourage parents and other family members to adopt behaviors that will help them and their children eat healthier foods and be active, after school on October 29 and 30.
- Autographs and photos with Mr. Eagle, Miss Rabbit and Trickster Coyote.
- Eagle Books activities for children at the *Spirit of the Harvest Pow-Wow*
- A display of local art and creative expression to begin on October 31.

“Our local planning group - area teachers, health educators, youth workers, and college faculty and staff who have been planning the *Eagle Books Fun Fest* are excited to bring this fun learning event to our community,” said Lynn Aho, of Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Community College. “We know that children love the Eagle Books and so do adults. Everyone is invited, please come.”

All Festival of Eagles events are free of charge. More information is available from Lynn Aho at 353-8151, email: diabetes.education@hotmail.com

### **Festival of Eagles Schedule**

#### Friday, October 24:

Eagle Books Speakers at the MTU Native American Speakers’ Forum; Healing Art Workshop with Sam English for Middle-High School Students (after school)

#### Saturday, October 25:

Eagle Books Activities and Display at the MTU Spirit of the Harvest Powwow

#### Sunday, October 26, Niiwin Akeaa Center:

Opening Ceremony, Storytelling, Social Round Dance, and Indigenous Foods Tasting; 3-5 pm

#### Monday, October 27:

Georgia Perez visits Baraga and L’Anse Schools – storytelling assemblies

#### Tuesday/Wednesday, October 28-29, Niiwin Akeaa Center:

Elementary students tour exhibit and mini-health fair; Child and Family exhibit tour and activities for Preschool students and families

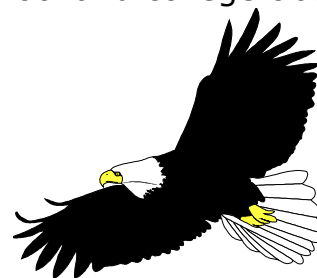
#### Wednesday/Thursday, October 29-30:

Lorelei DeCora conducts health talking circles in Baraga and L’Anse afterschool program time and speaks to KBOCC CE278 students and guests in the evening at the Niiwin Akeaa Center.

#### Friday, October 31 – Healthier Halloween: (school and community activities)

Exhibit of student and community art and stories begins.

Additional activities in planning stages include a lunchtime presentation for Seniors, a library-based family reading and story-telling event, and guest-speaker presentations for high school and college classes.





TRIBAL ELECTIONS BEGINS WITH PRIMARY ELECTION

This year our Tribal Elections will begin with a Primary Election. This will be the first year this process will be utilized. During the December 15, 2007, Annual Tribal Election, the Registered Voters of the Community were asked the question of “Do you support a Primary Election in the L’Anse and Baraga Districts to be held in advance of the General Election for the purpose of nominating candidates for Tribal Council at the General Election by a majority vote of eligible voters in the Community?”

Because the results for that Referendum question were YES – 285, NO – 144, a revision of the Election Ordinance was necessary. This was completed, and the Council enacted them on September 11, 2008.

The Primary Election process is new to our Tribe. Members wishing to place their name on the ballot for an elected office must file their name by October 2, 2008. In the past names were filed in mid November.

2008 PRIMARY ELECTION TIMELINE November 1, 2008

- 1. Nomination Deadline (Open 9/18) — October 2, 2008 at 4 p.m.
- 2. Voter Registration Deadline — October 2, 2008.
- 3. Tribal Council meets to approve Candidates — October 4, 2008.
- 3. Deadline to request Absentee Ballot — October 10, 2008.
- 5. Absentee Voting - Marquette — October 30, 2008.
- 6. Homebound Voting — October 31, 2008.
- 7. Primary Election — November 1, 2008.

There are two seats per district on the Tribal Council up for Election each year. In the event that less than four candidates file for those two seats in each District, a Primary Election will not be necessary. Voters will **only** vote for **their District Candidates**. For instance, if you reside in the Baraga District, during the Primary Election you will only vote for the candidates from the Baraga District, L’Anse district will vote for L’Anse District candidates and Marquette Trust Land Voters will vote in the L’Anse District. The four (4) candidates receiving the most votes will advance to the General Election held in December.

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OJIBWA SENIORS 2008-2010 EXECUTIVE BOARD  
Sandi Pittsley, President  
Ron Spruce, Vice Pres.  
Loretta Hugo, Secretary  
Roger Duschene, Treasurer  
Molly Loonsfoot, Asst. Secy  
Aggie Cardinal, Asst. Treas.

Our regular meeting on August 20, 2008, was attended by 28 members. Tribal CEO and Tribal Attorneys were pre-

sent to discuss the possibility of the Ojibwa Senior Citizens organization becoming a non-profit corporation. A meeting will be scheduled in November. All members should attend this important meeting as we may be voting on this issue. A notice of the meeting date will be sent to all senior members.

New members: August - Amy St. Arnold, September - Allen DeCota, October – Frances Drift and Nancy Shalifoe. We hope to see them at our meetings.

October birthdays are: Leona Bolo, Clarence Forcia, Fred Gauthier, Colette Gemignani, Art Gerard, Rose Mary Haataja, Aggie Hueckstaedt, Blue Misen-gan, Cheryl Pilato, Sandra Pittsley, Lois Robinson, Catherine Sandquist, Dick Shalifoe, Nancy Shalifoe, Ted Shalifoe, Paul Stark, and Janet Walker. Happy Oc-tober Birthday!!!! and many more.

We humbly apologize for the long wait some of our August 28<sup>th</sup>, pasty customers had to endure. One of our convection ovens was not working properly. The oven is now fixed. Hopefully our next pasty sale will run smoothly. Pasty sales are our main fund raising event. Next pasty sales will be September 25<sup>th</sup> and October 23<sup>rd</sup>. We really appreciate the dedicated few who volunteer their time for the two days. On Thursday, they arrive at 5:30 a.m. and spend the next seven hours giving it their all. These seniors are to be commended! Chi Miigwetch!! When they sign up for our outings, no questions will be asked. Hope-fully those signing up for future outings and have not been volunteering, will offer their assistance. A volunteer sign up sheet is at the senior center.

A Venison Stew fundraiser is planned for Friday, November 7<sup>th</sup>.

Ten seniors attended the U.P. 40<sup>th</sup> An-nual Senior Convention and Expo hosted by U.P. Area on Aging/UPCAP. Miigwetch to Don Carlson who volunteered to drive the senior van.

Forty seniors are scheduled to attend the October 6-8 Michigan Indian Elders Association Conference which is to be hosted by the Little Traverse Bay Band of Ottawa, in Petoskey, MI. Our Keweenaw Bay delegates are Jan Shalifoe and Roger Duschene. The bus will be leaving at 8 a.m., Oct. 6 from the senior center. We will return about 8 p.m. on Oct. 8.

A tentative outing is scheduled for Mon-day, October 20<sup>th</sup> for Apple Picking in the Bayfield, WI area with ten orchards listed, and there are many varieties of apples available. We will also tour places of inter-est in the area. Last year we toured Madeline Island.

Feel free to contact Philomena Ekdahl, Nutrition Director, 353-6096 or the senior office, 353-7691.

May the Great Spirit watch over you and yours.

By Loretta Hugo, EB Secy

Open Enrollment for  
KBIC EVEN START Family Literacy Program  
*Earn your GED/High School Diploma  
Early Childhood Programs for children*  
Improve parenting skills  
Incentives for participation  
Transportation and childcare available  
Even Start is **free** to all Tribal  
and Non-Tribal members with children  
under the age of eight or who are expecting  
**Call 353-8161 to register**  
KBIC EVEN START—  
755 Michigan Avenue—Baraga, MI 49908

Council meeting, continued from page three.

plies with the applicable laws and ordi-nances of the Community, plus granted him a hearing and agreed to seek an in-junction regarding building code violations; approved the removal and installation of two Participation Games at the Marquette Casino; agreed to pay \$8,531 for the Bully Free Schools Program that will be reim-bursed by the Indian Health Service; agreed to seek a meeting with the Michi-gan Highway Reciprocity Board to discuss commercial vehicles; approved the August donations (see Treasurer’s report); ap-proved a Recovery Request #001-2008 for airfare to Mesa, AZ; approved the hire and service agreement of the Council of En-ergy Resource Tribes for development of a Strategic Energy Plan; agreed that only active employees will receive retroactive pay for wage grid adjustments; agreed to contribute \$5000 towards an amicus brief in the Case of the Ottawa Tribe of Okla-homa vs. Samuel Speck; and held the Second Reading of Proposed Ordinance 2008-04 Election Ordinance.

Jennifer Misegan presented the Treas-urer’s Report for July and August 2008. Twenty-six donations requests were re-ceived with nine of them being funded as follows, with the exception of one that is still pending: \$5000—Disabled American Veterans towards a purchase of a van; \$500—Baraga County Eagles Auxiliary for an all Women’s Fishing Tournament; \$500—Save the Wild UP sponsorship of their walk to bring awareness to clean wa-ter; \$3000—Michigan Tech for sponsor-ship of the Parade of Nations; \$500-Salvation Army for backpacks for school children; \$125—Baraga County CASA Program which was a sponsorship of a team in their kickball tournament fund-raiser; \$125 each—for eighteen female tribal members to attend a cultural retreat on Mackinac Island; \$1000—Baraga County Christian Committee for a fund-raiser benefit for Christian Mleko and a \$100 donation of merchandise from the gift shop for their raffle. September 30th, is the deadline to apply for the two percent monies.

Council agreed to schedule the Third Reading of the Election Ordinance 2008-04 on September 11, 2008, at 1:00 p.m.

Tim Shanahan, Director of Anishinaabe Anokii, presented Resolution KB1629-2008 to authorize the carry over of funds with a no-cost extension of the ANA Grant for the Anokii Center. **Elizabeth D. Mayo motioned to approve Resolution KB1629-2008 which formally endorses the request of carryover of funds from the ANA Grant, supported by Toni Minton, eleven supported, 0 opposed, 0 abstained, motion carried.**

The Third Reading of Substitute Pro-posed Ordinance 2008-03 Title One, Com-position of Appellate Court and Appellate Procedures was held. **Susan LaFerner motioned to approve Proposed Ordinance 2008-03, which is to amend and restate the Proposed Ordinance that was presented at the first reading re-garding, Title One and to provide a complete substitute, supported by Jen-nifer Misegan, ten supported, 0 op-posed, one abstained (Dakota), motion carried. Susan LaFerner motioned to approve Proposed Ordinance 2008-03 Appellate Court for the purpose of amending Title one of the Tribal Code, supported by Toni Minton, ten sup-**



# Spirit of the Harvest POW WOW

## Saturday, October 25

### Gates Tennis Center

Event is **FREE**  
Public is **WELCOME!**

Grand Entry 1:00 pm & 7:00 pm  
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Anin! Autumn Sunshine Durant born 6/21/2008, to Stacy DeCota and Dominic Durant Jr. Autumn weighed 7 lbs. 12 oz. and was 20 inches long at birth.



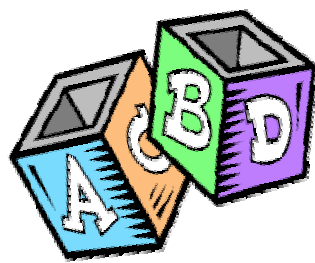
Anin! Daniel Robert Connor Jr. born on 8/2/2008, to Dan and Beth Connor. Daniel weighed 9 lbs 15 oz. and was 19.5 inches long at birth.



Peyton Dale was born Sept. 8, 2007, to Amanda Sauvola and Mikey Denomie. He is the Grandson of Mike and Terri Denomie and Dale Sauvola and Julie Donati, and Great Grandson of Clyde and Barbara Swartz and Ann and Oscar Denomie.



Meet Keonna Mix born 8/21/2008, to Leia and Craig Mix. Keonna weighed 7 lbs. 15 oz. and was 19 inches at birth.



**OPEN  
GYM**

There will be open gym every Monday and Thursday, 6:00-8:30 p.m. as long as there is a chaperone.

### Attention Tribal Member

#### Artists and Crafters

The Christmas Party Task Force will be purchasing new art and craft items made by Tribal Members to give as gifts for our Employee Christmas Party. The items will be voted on by the Task Force, and you can present a sample of your work on October 29, 2008, at the Tribal Center between 1:00 and 3:00.

**For More Information Contact:**  
**Jean 353-4205 or Robin 353-4164**

**Christmas Party Task Force**

SAVE THE DATE

## AMERICAN INDIAN IDENTITY CONFERENCE

OCTOBER 16-17, 2008  
Kellogg Center, Michigan State University

**Neocolonial Inscription and Performance**  
*American Indian Identity In American Higher Education*

For details visit [www.naiconf.msu.edu](http://www.naiconf.msu.edu)

**MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY**

AMERICAN INDIAN IDENTITY CONFERENCE  
OCTOBER 16-17, 2008

This two-day conference will review issues of American Indian identity in higher education. We will examine key issues such as tribal sovereignty, faculty hiring, and current university practices allowing self-identification. We will also explore who should represent American Indians in American Indian higher education programs and departments. Conference proceedings will be published in 2009. All are welcomed to join this important dialogue and discourse. American Indian scholars, American Indian studies scholars, tribal community representatives, and university administrators, students and staff are particularly encouraged to attend.

For additional details concerning panelists and registration, please visit [www.naiconf.msu.edu](http://www.naiconf.msu.edu) or contact:

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**OJIBWA CASINOS**



# NEW EMPLOYEES



Joe Arcand has been hired as the new Clinical Social Worker for KBIC. Joe states, "I have been in the field of human services since 1980. I have worked with adolescents and adults in treatment and corrections settings, for various agencies in administrative capacities, as well as counseling clients dealing with mental health, family

and substance abuse issues. I have also worked for seven years for two tribes.

I received my Bachelors Degree in Social Work from NMU in Marquette and my Masters Degree in Social Work from the Univ. of Michigan, Ann Arbor. I am also licensed in auricular acupuncture. I am from Crystal Falls, have lived most of my life in the U.P. and have raised two children who are grown. My wife and I are currently in the process of moving to L'Anse. We are both happy with the move—this is a beautiful area to enjoy the outdoors by hunting/fishing, picking choice edible mushrooms and berries.

I am grateful for the opportunity to serve the tribe. Thank you for welcoming me into the community. I will do my best to serve the people of KBIC." Please feel free to stop in or call Joe at 353-4454.



Zena Huhta has been hired as the new KBIC Medical Clinic Receptionist. Zena states, "I am very honored to have been offered this position and look forward to the challenge this position offers.

I am the proud mother of my seven-year-old son, Joshua. We recently moved from our farm into town where we now live in Ojibwa Housing. I love living in town AND ENJOY BEING CLOSE TO FAMILY AND FRIENDS.

In my spare time I love to spend time with my son, go running with my Weimeraner, go four wheeling and just enjoy the outdoors. I feel very lucky to be able to be part of such a great Tribal community and am thankful for all that they do for their people."

## KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY PARTICIPATES IN MTU'S PARADE OF NATION

Saturday morning, September 20th, members of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community including the KBIC Youth Club and KBIC Cultural Committee joined in with MTU's AISES to participate in Michigan Tech University's Annual Parade of Nations. The parade displayed 72 countries' colors and culture as they marched from Hancock over the bridge to Houghton and concluded at Dee Stadium. The Parade of Nations is a celebration of diversity in the community and on the Michigan Tech University Campus. The Keweenaw Bay Indian Community is a sponsor of the annual event. Housed at the Dee Stadium, multi-ethnic performances, authentic cuisine of many nations and vendors followed the parade. The Parade of Nations Director, Lori Muhlig, a Keweenaw Bay Indian Community member, along with the support of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community sponsored the Fast Horses performers. The Fast Horses performed for the Multicultural Festival at Dee Stadium and gave a performance in both the L'Anse and Baraga Elementary Schools on Friday, September 19th.

FAST HORSE is a Native American performing family who has been delighting audiences worldwide since 1998. The Lakota Fast Horse family (Reuben, Ash, six-year Calin and three-year old Arwen), credit their success to the fact that they love what they do; entertaining and educating. Transcending age, language and culture, the performance focuses on the evolution of Native music and dance. This intimate relationship with performing is expressed through poetry, humor, magic, audience participation, juggling, storytelling, costumes, fire, song and dance.



**Register to Vote  
for  
the  
National Election  
by  
October 6<sup>th</sup>!**

**Forms are available at:**

- your local secretary of state office
- Department of Human Services FIA
- Health Department
- Housing Offices
- Tribal Center



ported, 0 opposed, one abstained (Dakota), motion carried. President Swartz announced that the Ordinance is thereby adopted on today’s date.

Council moved into closed business with Treasurer Jennifer Misegan, Attorney John Baker (contract), President Warren “Chris” Swartz Jr. (contract), CEO Larry Denomie III (contract), and the Gaming Commission on the agenda.



The Other Victims of Violence in the Home

Effects of Domestic Violence on Infants:

- Eating and sleeping problems
- Excessive Crying
- Interruption of child’s emotional attachment to others
- Blocked development of age-appropriate skills and abilities



Effects of Domestic Violence on Pre-school Children:

- Fear
- Eating Disorders
- Fears of going to sleep, nightmares
- Acting out/temper tantrums
- Overly compliant/clingy
- Withdrawn
- Blocked development of age appropriate skills



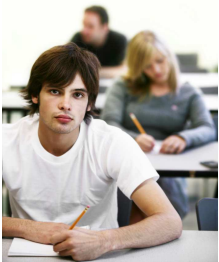
Effects of Domestic Violence on School Age Children:

- Fear/anxiety
- Fighting with others
- Hyper-vigilance about danger
- Depression
- Poor academic performance
- Low self-esteem
- Suicide/engaging in dangerous behaviors



Effects on Domestic Violence in Teens:

- Anxiety
- Depression
- Substance Abuse
- Stealing
- Eating Disorders
- Withdrawal
- Low self esteem
- Suicide



Contributed by KBIC/DHHS Mental Health Services, VOCA and Youth & Family Services



PUBLIC AUCTION

KBIC is planning an auction of excess items. The auction will be presented by B. Patient Auctioneers and will be held at the former KBIC Tire Shop.

KBIC AUCTION DATE HAS BEEN SET — DATE OF AUCTION IS: SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2008

Viewing starts at 9:00 a.m. Auction starts at 10:00 a.m.

For more information go to: www.bpatientauctions.com



KBIC Mercury Reduction

Throughout 2007 and 2008, steps were taken by the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Natural Resources Department (KBNRD) in an effort to reduce the amount of mercury entering the environment. Funding was received from the Central Lake Superior Watershed Partnership in 2006 to conduct these activities. KBNRD utilized the funding to plan, conduct, and advertise a mercury thermometer exchange for KBIC Tribal Members, as well as a fluorescent light bulb collection and recycling for KBIC Tribal offices. If broken inside the home, mercury thermometers can pose a threat to human health and can pose a threat to the environment if disposed of improperly (i.e. flushed, thrown in the trash). Because the local solid waste hauler and nearest landfill do not accept spent fluorescent lamps, the proper disposal of spent fluorescent lamps can become a problem.

KBNRD coordinated with the KBIC Department of Health and Human Services to provide a convenient mercury thermometer exchange for KBIC Tribal Members in 2007 and 2008. Instead of conducting a one time exchange event, KBNRD chose to provide a more convenient on-going exchange program. The KBIC Department of Health and Human Services is accepting intact mercury thermometers from Tribal members at the KBIC Donald A. LaPointe Health and Education Facility in exchange for new mercury-free, digital thermometers. The Donald A. LaPointe Health and Education Facility, located within the KBIC L’Anse Reservation, provides medical and dental health and education services to KBIC Tribal members from the Reservation and surrounding communities. In June 2007, KBNRD purchased 130 digital, mercury-free thermometers (100 oral and 30 ear thermometers) for the exchange program. KBNRD has also disseminated color flyers advertising the KBIC Thermometer Exchange, as well as published various advertisements in the KBIC Newsletter.

Since July, approximately 50 thermometers have been exchanged through the KBIC Thermometer Exchange. It is unknown how many mercury thermometers exist in Tribal member households. Thermometers are still available to Tribal Members who are urged to utilize this exchange program at the KBIC Medical Clinic. Contact the KBIC Medical Clinic at 353-8700 or Char Beesley, at 524-5757 for more information.

In June 2007, KBNRD also purchased two ‘Tri-Guard LampTracker’ special disposal containers for the recycling of spent fluorescent light bulbs, through Waste Management’s LampTracker Fluorescent Lamp Recycling Program. Each container holds approximately 56 fluorescent lamps. A total of 62 lbs. of fluorescent lamps (approximately 90 lamps) were collected from June 2007 through July 2008 and successfully recycled.



LampTracker fluorescent lamp recycling system.

KBIC Thermometer Exchange

Bring in your old, mercury fever thermometer and receive a mercury-free, digital thermometer AT NO COST!!

(Intact thermometers only—no broken or damaged thermometers will be accepted)



Where: KBIC Department of Health and Human Services, Medical Clinic

When: Normal working hours, 8am—5pm, while supplies last

NO broken or damaged thermometers will be accepted.

Why: Mercury thermometers can break, spilling hazardous material in your home. If thrown in the trash, mercury thermometers can break and release hazardous material to the environment. Mercury spills are very difficult to clean and can pose severe health hazards, especially to young children and the elderly.



Contact: KBICDHH Medical Clinic (906) 353-8700, or Char Beesley, KBNRD (906) 524-5757, extension 14.

EDUCATION INCENTIVE PROGRAM

The Keweenaw Bay Education Committee offers the Education Incentive Program to local KBIC tribal students. Monetary incentives are awarded at the end of each of the four marking periods of the academic year. Awards are given for Honor Roll and Perfect Attendance. Students must meet the following criteria:

1. Must be enrolled KBIC members.
2. Must reside in one of the following four counties: Baraga, Houghton, Ontonagon or Marquette.
3. Must attend a public or private school.

A student’s Honor Roll status is defined according to the regulations of their school district. Students in grades four through twelve are eligible to receive this award.

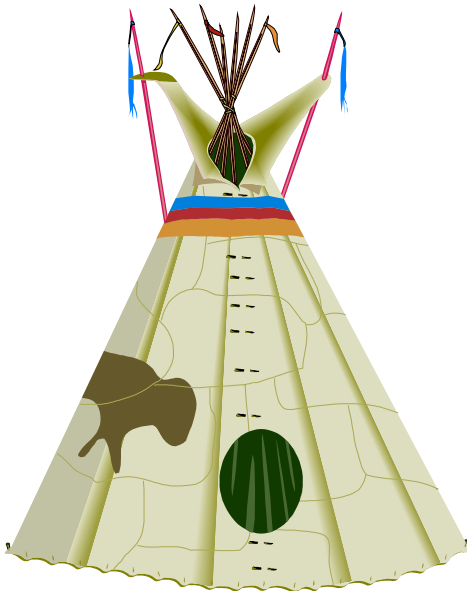
Perfect Attendance follows the school policy also but time for doctor or dental appointments and funerals may be allowed. Please contact the following people for more information:

L’Anse Area Schools – Peggy Dunn 524-0367 [pedunn@laschools.k12.mi.us](mailto:pedunn@laschools.k12.mi.us)

Baraga Area Schools – Helen Jondreau 353-6661 [hjondreau@up.net](mailto:hjondreau@up.net)

All others contact Amy St. Arnold 353-4117 [amy@kbic-nsn.gov](mailto:amy@kbic-nsn.gov)

Houghton, Ontonagon and Marquette students must provide a copy of the student’s report card. If attendance is not noted on the card, please have a school official document by signature. Report cards may be mailed to Keweenaw Bay Tribal Center, Education Office, 16419 Bear Town Rd. Baraga MI 49908.





EVEN START STUDENTS  
EXPLORE NEW SOFTWARE



KBIC Even Start Adult Education students Brandon and Leia explore the features of the new GED software.

Students enrolled in KBIC Even Start Family Literacy Program have a number of options for individualized instruction as they work toward earning their GED's. In addition to traditional textbooks and notebooks, Adult Ed students also progress through the GED - prep program with laptops. The GED is earned by students who pass a set of five tests certifying that the person has high-school level academic skills. To pass the national GED tests and earn a GED credential, students must score comparably to graduating high school seniors nationwide.

Last winter, KBIC Even Start purchased computer software designed to assist those students who may need to pick up a few skills before moving into the GED curriculum. The advantage to the pre-GED computer program is that students become acquainted with the testing format while receiving instant feedback to their progress. Imbedded tutorials also help to build study skills. For students who have been out of the classroom for a number of years, the pre-GED program works well to build confidence for moving into the next levels of study. "I like the fact that I can get a second chance at an answer," student Leia Mix explains. Students will also have the opportunity to access the programs out of class when the KBOCC Library installs them in their computer systems.

In collaboration with the tribe, Even Start was recently able to add another teaching tool to its instruction with the purchase of GED-level software. Students can now progress smoothly from pre-GED studies to the testing preparation software. Student response to this alternative learning method is positive. According to one student, "The laptops are portable and everything you need is right there."

Student progress is tracked and the instructor, John DeLine is able to monitor the areas where students may need additional assistance from him. When both teacher and student feel confident about subject mastery, the student is offered the opportunity to officially test in any subject area they need to complete in their work toward attaining certificates of General Education Development, sometimes known as General Education Diplomas.

According to the program coordinator, Gail Juntunen, the GED has been around for a long time. Originally designed to help World War II veterans returning to civilian life, the GED has become an alternative for people who, for a number of reasons, have not been able to earn a high school diploma. "Our students," states Juntunen, "come to us with goals for themselves and their young families." As they take the steps toward completing their education through our family literacy program, they also allow us to assist them in strengthening the family through home visits and intergenerational literacy activities. It is this holistic approach to family learning that makes our program unique in the community."

KBIC Weed & Seed teams up  
with Baraga Flag Football Program  
to provide positive opportunities  
for our area youth



The KBIC Weed & Seed Initiative has partnered with a local parent organization and will be assisting with the 2008 Baraga K-6 Flag Football League. The Weed & Seed Initiative is excited about the opportunity to work with the local parent organization that has created the Baraga flag football league and will assist with providing positive and safe youth activities throughout the community. Elementary students from the Baraga and L'Anse area have been invited to take part in this exciting opportunity. Information about the flag football league was placed in each KBIC department mailbox in early September. The flag football league will run from September 15 to October 16. Questions about the league may be directed to Bill and/or Bucki Jondreau at (906) 353-7676 or (906) 395-7676.

BARAGA FLAG FOOTBALL  
SCHEDULE-2008

Sept 11	Thursday	6PM
Sept 15	Monday	6PM
Sept 18	Thursday	6PM
Sept 22	Monday	6PM
Sept 25	Thursday	6PM
Sept 27	Saturday	6PM
Sept 30	Tuesday	6PM
Oct 4	Saturday	6PM
Oct 7	Tuesday	6PM
Oct 11	Saturday	6PM
Oct 14	Tuesday	6PM
Oct 16	Thursday	6PM

\*Saturdays will be under the LIGHTS

JOINING TOGETHER  
COMMUNITY VOLLEYBALL

- Who is this for:** Community Volleyball is for every individual who wants to make a difference in the world.
- How is this going to work:** The world is only as strong if we are willing to come together as one.
- How am I going to make a difference:** We, as people, should set aside our differences and focus on the inside of who we are.
- What is going to happen:** We are going to play VOLLEYBALL not as competition but more as a talking circle.
- Why is this happening:** This world is going through its most critical state right now; the power of friendship is at all our needs. Knowing that there is someone whom we can lean on when we're in trouble or hurting is the most rewarding power.

EVERY TUESDAY AT 6:00—8:00 p.m. AT THE OCC.

For more information contact K.B.I.C. Youth Program at:  
906-201-0024 or 906-353-4643 Tyler Larson  
906-353-4644 Nicole Eagle or Alice Brunk  
or Tashina Emery, Angelica Bodga,  
DeAnna Varline or Ethan Smith





# Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Housing Authority

**Mission:** To provide affordable and attractive housing opportunities in a safe and healthy environment to qualifying tribal members of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community, encourage self-improvement of the community's low income families, and provide employment opportunities.

## Programs and Services provided by the KBOHA:

- Low income rental homes and apartments
  1. 158 Homes/apartments in Baraga
  2. 50 Homes in Zeba
  3. 40 Homes in Marquette/Harvey
- Supportive housing/transitional housing to help address family issues;
- New, custom built, super-insulated homes for homeownership on Beartown Road;
- Home buyer training to prepare members for home ownership;
- Financial literacy training to improve members' financial skills;
- Home maintenance training to improve members' ability to maintain homes;
- Home rehabilitation program to improve the condition of member-owned homes;
- Home emergency assistance program to remedy negative conditions in the home;
- Individual development account program – a 4:1 matched savings program for member goals that include:
  1. Down payment assistance for home purchase;
  2. College tuition and expenses for residents;
  3. Business expansion/start-up expenses;
  4. Home repair for member-owned homes;
  5. Credit repair for homeownership;
  6. Vehicle purchase for work/school.
- Low cost home improvement loan program for qualifying tribal members;
- Low cost tax preparation program for residents and tribal members;
- Surplus FEMA mobile home program for tribal members;
- Stipend program covering mileage and child care expenses for residents attending college;
- Affordable curbside trash service for residents and members;
- Prescription subsidy program to reimburse tribal elders and disabled households for prescriptions purchased;
- Ojibwa Building Supply Do It Best- providing tribal employment, quality affordable building supplies and profits for housing programs;
- Ojibwa Builders construction company- providing tribal employment, quality affordable construction, and profits for housing programs;
- Market rate rentals - five rental properties in Baraga and one in Negaunee-providing profits for housing programs.

## Successful participant in IDA program



Tribal member and housing resident Jody Joki stands next to her recently purchased Ford Explorer. Jody participated in housing's new program that is designed to help tribal members practice saving money and to increase their self sufficiency.

The Individual Development Account (IDA) program is a matched saving program where a participant opens a joint savings account with housing at Superior National Bank and begins saving for a specific goal. In this case, Jody saved for a car that she could use to get back and forth to work. Jody attended financial literacy training in the beginning and started saving money. As she saves money every month, housing matches her savings at a rate of four to one. While she saved a total of \$750 over an extended period, housing matched her \$750 with \$3000.

The IDA program is new to housing and is taking off in terms of usage by the community. There are six goals that can be saved for. They include: down payment for homeownership, starting or expanding business, college tuition, credit repair, home repair, and vehicle purchase for school or work. Some of these programs are out of money already, but we hope to replenish most of them at the beginning of our next fiscal year which starts October 1<sup>st</sup>. Call housing at 353-7117 if you are interested in starting your own IDA!

## Frog and Toad Surveys Help KBNRD Monitor Wetland Health



American Toad



Green Frog



Bull Frog



Tree Frog sp.



Wood Frog



Mink Frog

In the spring and early summer, staff from the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Natural Resources Department (KBNRD) collect information on frogs and toads from 11 wetlands within the KBIC L'Anse Reservation.

There are 13 recognized frog and toad species in this area. Twelve of which are pictured above and below. Concern for area ecosystem health resulted in the development of monitoring programs aimed at establishing long-term abundance and distribution baseline data-sets. Frogs and toads (anurans) are sensitive to environmental disturbances and can be used as a tool for monitoring wetlands, water quality, and ecosystem health. Their sensi-

tivity to pollutants and contaminants and other environmental disturbance means that decreases or changes in frog and toad abundance, distribution, or population health may be indicative of environmental degradation, or other disturbance or change, such as climate change.

Each species of anuran has its own distinct call. Call types and densities are used at each of the 11 index wetlands to estimate species diversity and abundance. Certain anurans begin calling earlier in the spring than others. Occurrence of the first call of spring peepers, for instance, can be tracked over time and changes can be documented. Some scientists

are using the first call of spring peepers to document long term seasonal shifts that may be related to climate change. Three surveys are completed in the spring and early summer for each index wetland over a set period of time. This helps ensure that data sets account for seasonal changes in calling populations of anurans.

KBNRD has established a baseline dataset covering the last 12 years and will continue monitoring local wetland health by studying species of frogs and toads on the Reservation.

For more information about wetland surveys, or to volunteer to assist with KBNRD activities, please contact them at (906) 524-5757.



Spring Peeper



Cricket Frog



Fowler's Frog



Leopard Frog



Pickerel Frog



Chorus Frog



October 2008 Calendars Events

October 2 — Nominations and Voters Registration deadline  
October 4 — KBIC Auction  
October 18 — Halloween Party/Dance  
October 31 — Halloween

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ANNOUNCEMENT  
KBIC YOUTH HALLOWEEN PARTY

October 18, 2008  
Party is for Tribal members and first-degree descendants.

Little Kid's Party 12-3 pm, food, games, prizes;  
Big Kid's Dance 8 pm—12 midnight, food, prizes, music, \$2 with costume, \$5 without costume



Call 353-4643 for more information on the Halloween Party/Dance.

Events occurring throughout KBIC are welcome to be listed on the Calendar of Events. Contact newsletter@kbic.nsn.gov to list your events. Events are more detailed FYI within the newsletter. For up-to-day event listings, visit www.ojibwa.com and click on calendar. For Youth events, see @ www.ojibwa.com, click on youth club, or contact 353-4643/Main Office at Youth Club, or 353-4644 for the facility attendants or the Kitchen/craft rooms.

Ojibwa Community Library

The Ojibwa Community library now has Webster's Large Print Dictionary. We also have some large print fiction books.  
Hours of operation:  
MONDAY 1-7  
TUESDAY 11-4  
WEDNESDAY 1-7  
THURSDAY 12-3  
FRIDAY CLOSED  
Call 353-8163 for more information.  
~ Mary Bergerson, Library Director

Anishinaabe Anokii

First People's Work Center



A small business development and support center sponsored in part by a grant from the ANA that is focused on Native American-owned businesses and entrepreneurs. Anokii staff assist Native Americans and non-Tribal members in becoming successful and profitable business owners.

- Anishinaabe Anokii services include:
- Tribal Business Owner Directory
  - Business Development Resources
  - Fax, Copier, Computer & Internet Services, Meeting Room
  - Business Support & Developmental Education Classes
  - Confidential Credit Counseling & Financial Literacy Classes
  - "Indianpreneur" Business Development Program
- 8:00 am-4:30 pm  
Ojibwa Industrial Park  
Baraga, MI 49908  
Tel: (906) 353-2626 Fax: (906) 353-2627
- Timothy W. Shanahan,  
Business Counselor  
Tina Durant,  
Services Coordinator

1ST STEP COUNSELING SERVICE

If you are interested in starting or buying a business and don't know what to do next...  
Call Tina Durant @  
(906) 353-2626 at  
the Anishinaabe Anokii Center.  
She will set you up with an appointment with a certified business counselor in the Baraga County area. Sessions are free and confidential.



OJIBWEMOWIN  
Binaakwe Giizis — Falling Leaves Moon—October

Fill In The Blank

m \_ \_ k \_ \_ a — red  
o \_ \_ \_ w \_ \_ — yellow  
w i \_ \_ \_ \_ d \_ \_ a g — having a feast  
w \_ \_ y \_ \_ s — meat  
z \_ \_ s a k \_ \_ \_ a a n — fry bread  
m \_ s h k \_ \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ \_ a a b \_ \_ — bean soup  
w a \_ w \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ \_ h i — deer  
d \_ g w \_ \_ g \_ \_ — autumn  
m \_ k \_ \_ — bear  
w a a \_ \_ \_ z — rabbit



Across:

1. fry bread
2. bear
3. having a feast
4. meat
5. red
6. deer
7. yellow

Word List

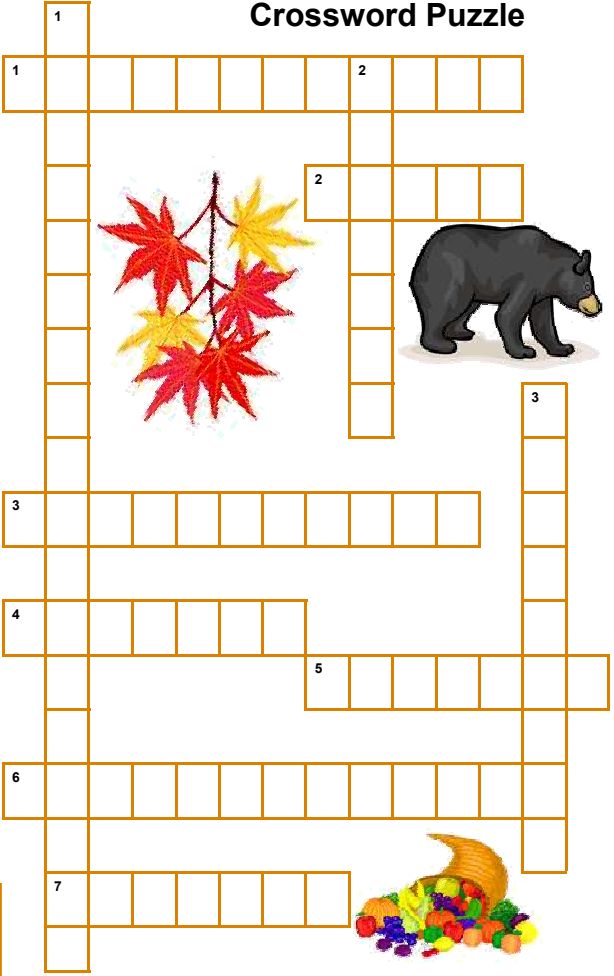
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Down:

1. bean soup
2. rabbit
3. autumn

The language page was designed from reference of "A Concise Dictionary of Minnesota Ojibwe" by John D. Nichols and Earl Nyholm.

Crossword Puzzle



Parade of Nations, Fast Horse Performers, continued from page seven.



AFDO/Seafood Alliance HACCP 3-Day Training Course

HACCP training certification is required to obtain a Keweenaw Bay Indian Community commercial fishing license. There will be a certification course offered in Brimley, Michigan, during December 2008. Registration fee is \$90. A course agenda may be obtained at the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Licensing Office or Natural Resource Department. Registration and travel costs will be paid for Keweenaw Bay Indian Community tribal members who wish to attend this training, through prior arrangement.

Course Information

Date: December 9-11, 2008  
Location: Bay Mills Community College – Migizi Hall, 12214 W. Lakeshore Drive, Brimley, Michigan  
Times: 8:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. daily

For registration please contact: Ronald Kinnunen, Michigan Sea Grant, Michigan State University, (906) 226-3687. For more information please contact the Natural Resource Department at (906) 524-5757.





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